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(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	16	Minus	** =20	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	9	Minus	*** =9	* 0 x	\$200 (100)	= \$ 0
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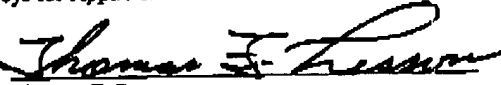
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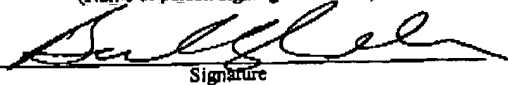
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on April 20, 2006, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on July 20, 2006, Applicants request the Examiner to amend the above-identified application as follows.

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